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 For: METHOD FOR ADDRESSING A BITSTREAM  
 RECORDING  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

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Please amend the specification by replacing the fifth paragraph on page 11,  
 with the following replacement paragraph. A marked-up version showing the changes  
 is attached hereto.

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--The HAT table depicted in Fig. 5 contains for each piece or VOB  
 (VOB#1 to VOB#n) of the bitstream to be recorded or of the recorded bitstream a  
 corresponding absolute or delta time duration entry  $\Delta\text{DUR}\#1$  to  $\Delta\text{DUR}\#n$ . DAV  
 denotes a desired address or target address in the bitstream. VOB#1 to VOB#n  
 each concern a constant number of bits of the bitstream.--

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please add the following claims:

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67. Device for recording a bitstream on a storage medium or for replaying  
 a bitstream from a storage medium, wherein for addressing pieces of said bitstream a  
 address table (HAT) is used that assigns time information to said pieces, and wherein  
 each of said pieces includes a constant number of bits arranged in data packets, said  
 device including:

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